LATEST AND BULKIEST BURKE.

THE NEW AND EXTINCT PEERAGES.

ENTER THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER.

Prince Henry William Frederick Albert has stepped into the golden-edged leaves of Burke's Peerage for the first time under his new title of Duke of Gloucester.

Beneath a reproduction of the Royal coat-of-arms, the history of this ancient dukedom is told. In the 87th edition of the book, the first volume of which came from the Press to-day. The Duke's other new titles—Baron Culloden and Earl of Ulster—also appear.

The book describes how the first and second dukes of the dukedom, Thomas of Woodstock and Humphrey Plantagenet, died when under age; how it was held by King Richard III. before he became king, and how at the death of Prince Frederick, Duke of Gloucester, in 1834, the dukedom expired and remained extinct until the present Duke's creation.

The most recent peerage to be recorded is that of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Lord Davidson of Lambeth. Among the other new peers are Sir Halisham, Melchett, and Strickland.

The new knighthoods are recorded, among them being those of Captain G. H. Wilkins, the explorer and aviator; Sir Edward Elgar, the composer; Sir Nigel Playfair, the actor-manager; and Sir Max Pemberton, the author.

The book contains the obituaries of 32 peers and baronets, who have died since December 1st.

Among those which have become extinct include those of the Viscount Cave, the Marquess of Lincolnshire, and Viscount Haldane.

Ever since the first Burke, a small 400-page volume was compiled in 1826, it has grown larger each year, and the work of production has become more and more difficult.

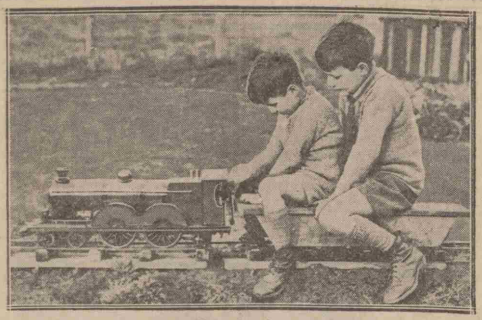
"We have worked day and night to make this issue of all Burkes a complete success," an official of the firm told our reporter. "For you know there must never be an error in the book, and yet I will not say such a thing has not happened."

Surely there was one error, but that was years ago, for it is stated that Eleanor, daughter of Edward I., had been twice married. It was pointed out to us that she had only been "espoused by proxy to King Alfonso of Aragon, and that the betrothal died before the marriage was consummated."

To make sure that each entry is correct, proofs have to be submitted to all members of the families concerned.

The present book has new photographs of the Queen, Princess Mary, and her two sons, the Prince of York, the Duke of Gloucester, Prince George, and the baby Princess Elizabeth.

Photographs which have already been printed are not duplicated, the delicate process of gilding, which will be published in a few days. The only new mare addition of Burke, however, and they are already busy on the volume for 1930.



A model engine with coal fire has been constructed by Mr. L. P. Scrimshaw, of 21, Cliff Crescent, Shelford Road, Radcliffe-on-Trent.

BERLIN THEATRE SCENE.

SUDDEN END TO BLACK DANCER'S ENGAGEMENT.

A painful scandal occurred on Tuesday night in a Berlin theatre where Josephine Baker, the well-known coloured artist, was finishing up a lengthy engagement.

Just before she was due on the stage the manager came forward to announce that she had hurt her foot, and could not appear. But the "revue," as the performance was called, had been specially concocted solely to provide a background for the exotic charms of the black dancer, and without her would have had as little sense or attraction as "Hamlet" without the Prince.

Accordingly the crowded audience who came to see Josephine, and for that purpose alone, were angry, and demanded their money back. Indeed, they were so angry and put forward their demands with such menacing words that the management thought compliance was the wisest policy. But it was long after the police had arrived in formidable force that the waves of excitement subsided, and the street outside the theatre was cleared of the agitated groups.

The story of the injured foot might, of course, have been true, but evidently it was not. Apparently (says the "Telegraph") the cause of the hitch was a financial one. The dancer's original engagement terminated on Sunday evening. She agreed to prolong it, but in the very midst of Tuesday's performance some dispute arose as to the £20 which she was to be paid for each of her additional performances.

As to the course which the difference of opinion took, accounts are not quite clear. But it finished with the dancer hastily collecting her exiguous costumes, and driving off in a private car.

ARTIFICIAL SUNLIGHT.

HOW IT MAY BE USED AND HOW ABUSED,

PEOPLE WHO SHOULD USE IT.

In the course of a lecture in London last night, Dr. R. K. Brown said the term "artificial sunlight" was really a misnomer, because there was no such thing as artificial sunlight. The term was simply a short expression for ultra-violet rays, some of which were found in sunlight.

Light acted upon the body through the skin upon which it fell and which it penetrated to various depths, there to be absorbed and to act not only upon the skin but upon the blood-vessels and structures underlying it.

"One definite, though superficial, action of the ultra-violet rays" he continued, is that they can activate the ergosterol contained in the skin fat, and so form Vitamin D, which in its turn becomes absorbed and prevents or cures rickets. The other effects of light, and especially ultra-violet "light" are: Tonic and stimulant—increased appetite; increase of general metabolism; increased blood calcium and phosphorus; anti-rachitic, by acting through Vitamin D; curative in many diseases, e.g., surgical tuberculosis, &c., nervous diseases, some forms of skin disease, &c.

Local and general baths of light may be given; probably the best treatment is a combination of both. When a medicinal dose of light is given, a rash appears on the skin about 4 to 6 hours afterwards. This rash is followed by peeling and pigmentation, the primary work of the pigment being to protect the body from the injurious effects of excess of ultra-violet rays. Its power is seen at its best in races which live in or about the tropics. The red rash produces a "negative" phase, in which the person may be more susceptible to disease for a day or so; but, if the light is doing good, improvement commences three or four days after a bath, and cure ought to result in 12 baths or more, according to the nature of the complaint.

WORDS OF CAUTION.

The shorter ultra-violet rays, i.e., between about 2,900 Angstrom units, are quite foreign to our skin. Rays between 4,000 and this length are to be found in the sun's light, so that we are not likely to be injured by lamps which do not give shorter wave-lengths than are found in the natural sun. There are, however, hardly any lamps made, except some with ordinary quartz bulbs, which do not give out many shorter rays than the sun; and this applies specially to carbon-arc and mercury-vapour lamps designed for medical use. These rays, then, being unnatural or foreign to our bodies should be most carefully administered—exactly on the same principle as the giving of drugs, which in the ordinary way do not form part of our daily food.

The doses must be small, and care must be taken that the recipient has no special susceptibility or disease which might make their use dangerous; and this can be determined only by a medical examination prior to undergoing treatment by artificial ultra-violet rays. Some people may be made positively ill owing to some natural susceptibility, though in perfectly good health otherwise; or they may have some kidney or certain forms of heart disease which make them unsuitable subjects.

Incautious use of ultra-violet "light" may lead to conjunctivitis, corneal ulcers, and cataract, or, if this last be already present, it may be hastened to blindness; blisters, or severe burns on the body. One woman is said to have died of duodenal ulcer brought on by severe burns from ultra-violet light, self-administered.

It must be remembered that the burn from ultra-violet light does not differ from any other scald or burn in its immediate and remote effects. It may go on to severe blistering or ulceration, which is very hard to heal up.

If administered very frequently, and over long periods, ultra-violet "light" may cause keratosis of the skin of the face, a kind of thickening. An overdose may cause sleeplessness, depression, headache, nausea. There may be loss of weight, if light treatment is continued too long.

A VITAL QUESTION.

The question whether ordinary healthy people require artificial sunlight cannot be answered simply. If one gets enough open-air exercise in walking, games, work, &c., I do not think one requires light from artificial sources. On the other hand, if one is confined to dark rooms, with little open-air exercise, a sun-bath of very short duration, say once a week, may to some extent make up for the lack of the natural article. But, personally, one is much better advised to depend on natural sources; and there will be much improvement in the future, when all our glass will let ultra-violet rays pass, and our artificial illumination is so improved that it will give out a small quantity of the longer ultra-violet rays in our living-rooms. Both these events will, I feel sure, be fulfilled in a very few years; but do not let any artificial sources of light ever take the place of the natural sun, except, as I have intimated, when we are ill and require a doctor's prescription.

The Superior Council of Public Hygiene of France has declared as follows: That given the serious accidents which may result from use of ultra-violet irradiation handled by incompetent persons, it is necessary in the interests of public health to confine the use of these procedures to hospital services and to authorise their application only by specialist physicians.

LESS COAL.

FIGURES FOR THE LOCAL DISTRICTS.

The coal output and the number of wage-earners at the mines in Great Britain for the week ended November 24th were as follows:

Districts.	Output. Tons.	Wage-Earners.
Northumberland	242,400	46,200
Durham	703,200	127,300
Yorkshire	925,600	165,200
Lancashire, Cheshire, and North Wales	363,400	91,800
Derby, Nottingham, and Leicester	599,100	115,500
Stafford, Worcester, Salop, and Warwick	347,300	76,700
South Wales and Monmouthshire	851,100	154,700
Other English districts*	99,800	24,100
Scotland	652,900	93,200
Total	4,815,100	896,200

*Including Cumberland, Westmorland, Gloucester, Somerset, and Kent.

In the preceding week the output was 4,894,200 tons, and the number of wage-earners 688,100.

ORLEANS PRINCESS ENGAGED.

To-day the engagement is announced between H.R.H. the Princess Marie Louise D'Orleans, daughter of the Duke and Duchess de Vendome, and W. F. Kingsland, son of Walter Kingsland, of New York.

Whooping Cough. Vapo Cresolene promptly relieves all breathing troubles and chest complaints. Free Booklet No. 61 to Allen & Hanbury's, Ltd., London, E.C. 3.—[Adv.]

CHILD BORN IN THE STREET.

ALLEGED CALLOUSNESS OF A FRENCH DOCTOR.

The alleged callous attitude of a doctor towards a woman who was in urgent need of his services is the subject of bitter comment (says a Paris correspondent).

A woman at Charenton who was about to become a mother realised late at night that the event could not long be delayed, and so set out with her husband in search of a taxi-cab to take her to hospital. As no vehicle could be found, the couple went to the police-station, where they were escorted by a police officer to the house of a neighbouring doctor. The doctor, however, refused to receive the woman on the ground that he had no accommodation for such a case, however urgent it might be.

It thus happened that, lying on the pavement in front of the doctor's house, the woman was delivered of her child with only her husband to assist her. She was then taken on a stretcher, first to the police station, where a nurse attended to her, and the newly born child, and then to hospital. This belated assistance was too late, however, in the case of the child, which died shortly after admission to the institution.

SEACROFT GOLF CLUB MONTHLY MEDAL.

The principal scores in the monthly medal competition of the Seacroft Golf Club, Skegness, for December were as follows:

GENT.S.

	Gr.	Hp.	Nt.
Dr. Sweeten	91	12	79
V. P. Prace	88	6	83

LADIES.

Division I.

	Gr.	Hp.	Nt.
Mrs. Poyzer	96	11	85

Division II.

	Gr.	Hp.	Nt.
Miss Mann	110	32	78
Mrs. Hardstaff	112	30	82
Miss Allen	113	26	85
Miss Welsh	138	52	86

A REMINDER TO NOTTINGHAM AND DISTRICT RESIDENTS.

MR. D. H. BURTON-CROOKES, A.B.P.O., of Messrs. Burton-Crookes and Co., 21, Lime-street, Liverpool, the noted Eyesight Specialists, is again in Nottingham this week (his 19th visit), and is once more supplying

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AT

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with Best Quality Spherical Lenses.

This includes SIGHT-TESTING, which is FREE OF CHARGE.

Mr. Burton-Crookes will attend to-day, to-morrow, and SATURDAY, which is his last day, from 10 to 1 and from 2 to 8 (Saturday until 6).

Do not miss the opportunity this time.

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No matter how badly or how long you have suffered, you can get speedy relief from indigestion by removing the cause of the trouble. Usually indigestion arises from excess stomach acid which causes fermentation and creates gases that give intense pain. By neutralising this excess acid and soothing and healing the inflamed stomach lining 'Bisurated' Magnesia not only gives instant relief, but builds up a strong healthy digestion. 'Bisurated' Magnesia costs only 1s. 3d. a package, and half a teaspoonful of the powder of two or three tablets in a little water after eating will quickly stop digestive pain and rid you of stomach trouble. 67.

"If I were Twenty-one"

The Third of Lord Birkenhead's Articles—

"Youth and Sport"

Appears in To-morrow's

"Evening Post"

HOCKEY MATCH.

HOCKEY ASSOCIATION XI. v. HOLLAND, on the NOTTS. COUNTY CRICKET GROUND, TRENT BRIDGE on SATURDAY, at 2.30 p.m.

Tickets 3/- reserved, and 1/6 unreserved (including Tax). Book at Gunn & Moore's, Carrington-street, up to 1 o'clock Saturday; afterwards at ground.

"It was easy," said GEORGE GEE after Blindfold Test

"Well, I *should* be a good judge of a cigarette—as I'm playing in 'Virginia.' I picked Sarony blindfolded for the same reason as I could tell my favourite mashie or car blindfolded. They just fit naturally into my scheme of things. It seems that most stage folk prefer Saronys, with the possible exception of Lockhart's Elephants."

George Gee

The principal comedian in "Virginia" at the Palace Theatre.

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Those who availed themselves of this great opportunity last week were well repaid. This week there will be GREATER BARGAINS than ever, as the

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IN SATURDAY'S

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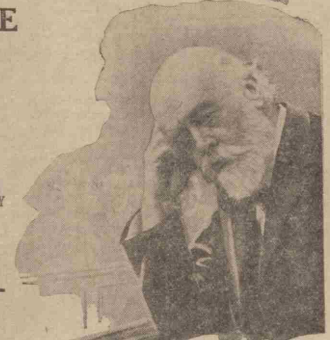
MR. ROBERT BLATCHFORD'S Explanatory Article ON FRIDAY.



Sir Oliver Lodge Gives Evidence

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